

Spectrum

Memorial Day 2007 remembrance



Photo by Michael Smith

“Although memories fade as years pass, Memorial Day ensures that our fallen heroes will never be forgotten... we need to remember and honor their sacrifices every day, not just one day every May.” [Red, White and Blue Ceremony, Columbia County]

Brig. Gen. Randolph P. Strong
Fort Gordon Commanding General
Chief of Signal

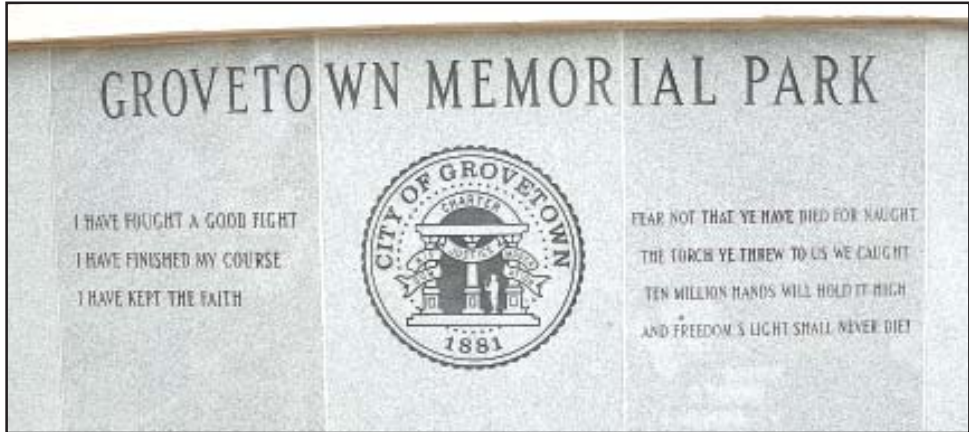


Photo by James Hudgins

An oversized flag waves above the crowd gathered for the Columbia County Red, White and Blue Memorial Day observance.

(Above) Brig. Gen. Randy Strong, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon commander greets the public after helping to dedicate the Grovetown Memorial Park Wall Monday. *(Right)* A color guard from Fort Gordon marches in the Aiken Memorial Day parade through the streets that were filled with well-wishers in downtown Aiken. *(Below)* Five-year-old Kaitlyn Gilmer happily accepts a free poppy from Ruth Allen, Ladies Auxiliary Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 649 member, while Kaitlyn's grandmother Mae Gilmer keeps a watchful eye. They were in the crowd gathered at the Veterans of All Wars Monument at 4th and Broad Streets in Augusta for a Memorial Day observance. Several Fort Gordon units participated.



Photos by Larry Edmond



Photo by Barbara Hammons



(Above) Chief Warrant Officer Jonathan Ward, U.S. Army Signal Corps band director leads the band in a medley of tunes for the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home Memorial Day Ceremony in Augusta. *(Left)* Lt. Col. Nello Thomas, 15th Regimental Signal Brigade deputy commander responds to media questions after his speech for the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home Memorial Day Ceremony.



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